

## THE CLAIMS

Having thus described my invention, what I claim as new, useful and non-obvious and, accordingly, secure by Letters Patent of the United States is:

1. An integrated hamper/laundry basket comprising:  
a substantially solid rectangular structure having therein:
  - (a) means for the selectable slidable receipt of one or more vertical partitions to thereby separate the hamper/laundry basket into a plurality of compartments into which respectively different types of laundry may be separated at the point of deposit of such articles into the hamper/laundry basket; and
  - (b) void space within each lateral wall of said structure that does not exceed two-thirds of the area of each wall.
2. The hamper/laundry basket as recited in Claim 1 in which said vertical lateral walls thereof include a multiplicity of apertures, having an aesthetically pleasing geometry and sufficient size, to assist in the aeration of clothing within the hamper/laundry basket, said apertures thereby defining void space of at least one-third of the area of each of said lateral walls.

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